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HAD NARROW ESCAPE

William J. Bryan In a Train Wreck at Emporia, Kan.

MANY PASSENGERS WERE KILLED.

A Head on Collision Occurred, Boilers Exploded, Cars Were Burned, Havoc and Death Joined Hands In a Frightful Catastrophe.

Emporia, Kan., Sept. 9.—One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Santa Fe railroad occurred three miles east of here at 7:30 o'clock last night. Twelve or 15 persons were killed, and as many more were badly hurt. The fast mail train, going east and the Mexico and California express west bound, collided head on. The Mexico and California express was pulled by two locomotives, and when they struck the engine drawing the fast mail the boilers of all three engines exploded and tore a hole in the ground so deep that the smoking car of the west bound train went in on top of the three engines and two mail cars and balanced there without turning over.

The passengers in the smoking car escaped through the windows. The front end of this car was enveloped in a volume of suffocating smoke and steam rushing up from the wreck below, and the gear door was jammed tight in the wreck of the car behind. The wreck caught fire from the engines, and the cars in the hole, with the smoking car, were quickly burned to ashes. In climbing out of the smoking car several men fell through the rifts in the wreck below, and it is impossible to tell whether they escaped or were burned to death.

Excursionists Were Aboard.

The west bound train carried seven or eight coaches, and its passengers included many excursionists who had been to hear Hon. W. J. Bryan speak at the county fair at Burlington. Mr. Bryan himself was on the train, but was riding in the rear Pullman. He states that nothing but a heavy jolt was experienced by the passengers in his coach.

Mr. Bryan was one of the most energetic men in the crowd of rescuers. He adoped to carry out the dead and wounded and gave the greatest attention to their care. One poor fellow, who was badly maimed, called to Mr. Bryan and said:

"I went to hear you speak. I am dying now and want to shake your hand and say God bless you. If you possibly can, Mr. Bryan, get me a drink of water."

Mr. Bryan went into the fast mail car, one end of which was burning, and came out with a drink of water, which he gave to the suffering passenger. He brought out cushions for others of the injured and was everywhere present to minister to the wants of the suffering.

Knights of Sherwood Forest.

Jersey City, Sept. 9.—The supreme convention of the Knights of Sherwood Forest, uniformed rank, Foresters of America, in session here, elected the following officers: Past supreme commander, Samuel P. Morris of Fall River, Mass.; supreme commander, Daniel J. McGowan of Newport, R. I.; supreme adjutant general, J. E. Sullivan of Newark; Lt. Lt. supreme inspector general, William Mccluskey of Brooklyn; supreme first assistant inspector general, Henry Barber of Boston; supreme second assistant inspector general, John H. Finn of Providence; supreme paymaster, John J. Kavanaugh of Taunton, Mass.; supreme surgeon general, Dr. John M. Thompson of Brooklyn; supreme assistant surgeon general, Dr. William John of New Bedford, Mass.; supreme quartermaster general, F. J. Heingartner of Kingsbridge, N. Y., and supreme auditor, John F. Quinn of Fall River, Mass.

Dropped Dead In Church.

Oswego, N. Y., Sept. 9.—José A. Hathaway, a prominent lawyer, died suddenly last night under unusual circumstances. In company with his wife he attended the weekly prayer meeting at Grace Presbyterian church, with which he was intimately identified, and after certain preliminaries arose to pray. At that moment a bolt at the electric company's powerhouse broke, causing the extinguishing of all city lights, those of the church included, and Mr. Hathaway fell to the floor. When the gas was lighted a moment later, he was discovered to be dead. The several hundred parishioners were horror stricken. Many fled from the edifice. Coroner Vowinkel and physicians, who were summoned, claimed that death was due to apoplexy. The deceased had a family of grown children.

Berber's Fall Causes Joy.

Suakin, Africa, Sept. 9.—There is rejoicing here at the news received of the fall of Berber. The measures to establish communication between Suakin and the Anglo-Egyptian forces along the Nile are rapidly advancing. The dervishes have withdrawn their eastern outposts and are concentrating on the Nile, with Metemeh as their northernmost post.

Anarchists Not Wanted There.

Providence, Sept. 9.—The police have arrested Emma Goldman, the anarchist agitator, to leave this city within 24 hours or get three months in prison, and she accepted the first proposition. She was arrested for collecting a crowd and refusing to move on when told to do so by an officer.

Prince Hohenlohe's Successor.

London, Sept. 9.—The Daily Mail's London correspondent says he hears that Prince Hohenlohe's successor as Imperial chancellor will not be Baron von Bülow, the German ambassador at Rome, but General von Bülow, who is now in command of the Fourteenth army corps.

INSTITUTIONS BENEFITED.

The Will of the Late Charles Wilder Shows Bequests to Charity.

Quincy, Mass., Sept. 9.—The will of the late Charles T. Wilder of Wellesley was admitted to probate in this city. It contained many public bequests, and over \$100,000 is left to charitable and educational institutions.

The sum of \$10,000 each is left to the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, the Armenian Missionary association, Roberts college at Constantinople, the Armenian School for Girls at Constantinople, Colorado college at Colorado Springs. Whitman colleges at Walla Walla and Carlton college at Northfield, Mass.

The sum of \$5,000 each is left to Kimball academy at Meriden, N. H., and to Mary Hitchcock hospital at Hanover, N. H., for the Charles T. Wilder free school.

In a codicil, dated July 27, Mr. Wilder bequeathed the sum of \$15,000 to the trustees of Amherst college for the purchase of land for an observatory.

The sum of \$10,000 is also left to the Mount Hermon School For Boys at Northfield. The residue of the estate, both real and personal, is left to the executors in trust, to be distributed among such charitable, educational and religious institutions as they may select and deem most needy and worthy. Herbert E. Wilder and Alfred S. Hall were appointed executors, and together they gave a bond to the amount of \$1,000,000.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Scores of the Baseball Games.

At New York—New York 1 0 0 0 1 0 6 — 8 Pittsburgh 1 0 0 0 4 0 2 — 7

New York—Hits, 8; errors, 8. Pittsburgh—Hits, 9; errors, 4. Game called: 0.

At Brooklyn—Cincinnati 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 1 — 4 Brooklyn 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 — 2 Cincinnati—Hits, 12; errors, 3. Brooklyn—Hits, 7; errors, 3.

At Philadelphia—Chicago 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 3 — 6 Philadelphia 2 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 — 5

Chicago—Hits, 10; errors, 1. Philadelphia—Hits, 13; errors, 3.

At Boston—Boston 4 0 2 1 6 4 0 0 — 17 St. Louis 3 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 — 6

Boston—Hits, 17; errors, 8. St. Louis—Hits, 13; errors, 6.

At Baltimore—Baltimore 2 1 0 2 0 0 0 0 — 5 Louisville 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 — 1

Baltimore—Hits, 11; errors, 1. Louisville—Hits, 5; errors, 1.

At Washington—Washington 0 0 1 4 1 0 1 0 1 — 8 Cleveland 0 1 0 2 1 0 0 3 0 — 7 Washington—Hits, 15; errors, 6. Cleveland—Hits, 9; errors, 1.

Second game—Washington 2 0 0 4 — 6 Cleveland 0 0 0 2 — 2 Washington—Hits, 7; errors, 4. Cleveland—Hits, 5; errors, 2. Game forfeited to Washington, 9 to 0.

— Standing of the Clubs.

Won. Lost. P. C.

Baltimore 78 23 .703

Boston 80 25 .696

New York 74 39 .655

Cincinnati 65 46 .580

Cleveland 57 57 .500

Washington 51 61 .455

Chicago 52 63 .451

Brooklyn 50 65 .435

Philadelphia 50 65 .435

Pittsburgh 48 64 .429

Louisville 49 66 .426

St. Louis 27 87 .237

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Sons of Veterans are gathering at Indianapolis for their annual encampment.

H. M. Henry H. Fay, postmaster of Newport, R. I., under President Harrison, is dead.

The colt Galtee More, which won the Derby, has captured the St. Leger stakes at Doncaster, England.

Two hundred and fifty Paraguayans have seized the Bolivian town of Chiquitos, in the province of Mojos.

The Colon (Colombia) custom house has seized 20 cases of tobacco smuggled in on the steamship Finance from New York.

The Prohibitionist state convention at Syracuse adjourned after refusing to incorporate a woman suffrage plank in the platform.

H. S. Perry, who killed Bely Lanier, a theological student, was executed at Decatur, Ga. Perry claimed the dead man had assaulted his wife.

Barril, the Spanish anarchist condemned to death by a court martial, has been respite and may receive his original sentence of 40 years.

The United States supreme court will be asked to pass on the validity of the present civil service system in the case of Superintendent J. G. Woods of the Louisville postoffice.

Klondike Boat Manager to Be Arrested.

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 9.—The passengers of the steamer Bristol, which had to abandon her trip to St. Michaels, as the steamer Eugene, which was to take the passengers up the Yukon, could not continue her voyage, say they will have T. R. McFarland, manager of the Portland and Alaska Steamship company, arrested for obtaining money under false pretenses. They say that he knew that the Eugene could not make the trip. McFarland was kept under guard on the Bristol, he having tried to leave the ship at Alert Bay.

Well Known Man Accidentally Killed.

Atlanta, Sept. 9.—Colonel Isaac W. Avery, at one time editor of the Atlanta Constitution and former minister to Mexico and the South American republics for the Cotton States and International exposition of 1895, fell from the porch of his residence in Kirkwood, a suburb of this city, and died from the effects of the fall.

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Sentenced to a Long Term.

Tolland, Conn., Sept. 9.—The jury in the case of James O'Rourke, charged with committing a criminal assault on Emma Cosgrove, a 10-year-old girl of Columbia, after 1 hour and 20 minutes' deliberation yesterday, brought in a verdict of guilty, and he was sentenced to 20 years in state prison.

RICH GIFTS VANISH.

Bold Daylight Burglary at a Mount Vernon Home.

BRIDE MOURNS WEDDING PRESENTS.

The House Ransacked by Two Thieves, One of Them a Woman—Costly Dresses and Valuable Jewelry Being the Robbers' Reward.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Sept. 9.—In broad daylight a \$1,000 burglary was committed in Mount Vernon, and one of the robbers was a woman. This much is positively known. The police have sought to suppress the news of the burglary, but the story has leaked out. Burglaries have been reported all along the sound for some time, and always the clever criminals have made good their escape.

The robbery of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bertram H. Carmer, at 329 Union avenue, was effected as neatly as the others and bears the stamp of the handiwork of the same hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Carmer have been married lately. He is a trusted employee of the Bank of Mount Vernon, and the couple have just settled down to domestic life with Mr. and Mrs. Sharp, Mrs. Carmer's parents. They had in the house many valuable wedding presents of solid silver and cut glass ware.

During their absence a woman who lives in the neighborhood says that while sitting on the porch she observed a tall man and a short, plump woman approach the house. They loitered about awhile, and then the man went up the stoop and tugged twice at the doorknob. This was evidently done to assure the thieves that no one was at home, for on receiving no answer to repeated rings the pair went around the back of the house.

The neighbor went into her house, paying no attention to the incident, until the Carmers told of the robbery.

Found the House In Confusion.

When the Carmer family returned to their home, they found their rooms in the greatest confusion. Every room had been gone through. Bureau drawers and their contents littered the floor. They discovered that every one of the silver and cut glass wedding presents that had adorned the buffet in the dining room had been stolen.

A closet containing Mrs. Carmer's choicest gowns was completely stripped, and many articles of jewelry still remain to be accounted for.

Entrance was made through a rear window leading into the kitchen. The description furnished the police by the woman who saw the woman burglar and her companion is good. She says the woman was short, plump, blond and pretty, and wore a black skirt with a white silk shirt waist and white straw sailor hat with a black band. There was nothing distinctive about her attire, however. She carried a rather large hand satchel.

The man was tall and gaunt and dressed entirely in black. He had high cheek bones, a florid complexion and a large brown mustache. The police are working assiduously, but as yet without result.

The authorities at New Rochelle and other towns along the sound are sure the same persons are responsible for all the robberies. The fact that a young and pretty woman is one of the burglars, perhaps the leader of the band, has stirred the police to extraordinary activity, and they are determined to capture the unique female character.

Fighting For Dead Actor's Old Home.

New York, Sept. 9.—A contest is being waged between Mrs. Gilbert, sister-in-law of the late actor Joseph W. Shannon, and Henry Crantz, a friend of the actor, over the possession of the homestead at One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, near the Southern boulevard, in this city. Before Shannon died, which occurred on Sunday, he gave Crantz the keys of the house and, it is said, some valuable personal property.

After the funeral Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert and Crantz wrangled over the matter in the house and at last decided to leave it to Captain Monahan of the Morrisania police station. He took away the keys from Crantz and placed a policeman on guard over the house until Public Administrator William M. Hoess shall decide the contest. Mrs. Gilbert says there is a will, which she insinuates has been made away with. Crantz says the actor died intestate and claims the property as a gift. The house in question is worth \$6,000 and has been a rendezvous for all the famous stars of the country.

Brooklyn Tailor Kills Himself.

New York, Sept. 9.—Jacob Kellar, a tailor, aged 52 years, residing in Brooklyn, who has made frequent attempts to kill himself, has carried his threat into execution. He was found by his wife suspended from the transom of his bedroom door, where he had hung himself with a clothes-line. Despondency on account of his inability to secure employment was the cause of the suicide.

Accepted a Challenge and Died.

Hudson, N. Y., Sept. 9.—George Aiken, 21 years old, was instantly killed here at 8 o'clock last night. He was dared to climb up and take hold of a racket on an electric light pole, and he went up the pole. He no sooner grasped the racket with both hands than he fell dead.

Millionaire's Launch Sunken.

New York, Sept. 9.—John Jacob Astor's electric launch was sunk in the North river off Thirty-fourth street by coming in collision with the fleet river steamboat Mary Powell, which was bound down from Kingston, N. Y.

Military Officer Resigns.

Buffalo, Sept. 9.—Major Robert M. Harding has resigned his position as major of the Seventy-fourth regiment. Major Harding declined to discuss the reasons for leaving the regiment beyond stating that he desires to give his whole time to his business.

Hard to Get a Jury.

Watertown, N. Y., Sept. 9.—Up to the adjournment of the court yesterday afternoon only seven jurors had been selected in the Haynes murder trial.

THEY SEEM WORRIED.

Hawaiian Annexationists Foresee Trouble Ahead.

MASS MEETING OF NATIVES CALLED.

The North German Lloyd Steamship Company Will Possibly Extend Their Business to Honolulu—General News From



BICYCLES AND SUNDRIES

I have on hand the following new 1897 **Waverley** Models, 1. Double \$75. 2. Trinity \$75. 3. Dayton \$75. 1 Piece \$75. 4. Waverley \$75. 5. Spaulding 1896 Model, with 97 tires and saddle, \$50. A line of Juveniles, which I will close out cheap. All wheels fully guaranteed. Second-hand will also find a home. Sundries and tandems, both double, diamond and combination for rent. Repairing a specialty.

C. L. SWEZY,
24 North Street, Corner
King St., Middletown.

The Balance of Our Summer Stock

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MILLINERY.

Purchases, Shirt Waists, Capes, White Skirts, Crash Skirts, Children's Gingham and Lawn Dres &c. And a hundred and one other articles for Ladies', Misses' and Children's wear will be sold at surprisingly low prices.

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NEW IDEA

Corner North and West Main street, Middletown, N. Y.
P. S.—You want to see our WRAPPERS from 48c upward.

Eyesights Are Priceless
and Delays Are Dangerous

Improperly fitted glasses are ruinous to your eyes. Do not be experimented upon by so-called professors and opticians as it costs no more to have it done by one that is Reliable, Responsible and Practical. Something new in eye glasses that fit any nose. Spectacles with all the latest improvements that are in the market. Eyes tested accurately and suitably free of charge. Every pair guaranteed. Complete assortment of artificial eyes always in stock to match any color or shape can be found at the CRYSTAL FRONT JEWELRY STORE.

F. D. KERNOCHAN,
Practical Optician, 25 years experience.

We Have Taken from the Freight Depot
3 OPEN BUGGIES!

that were consigned to another party. The maker instructs us to sell them. You know what that means. They are not cheap goods, but will be **SOLD** cheap.

MIDDLETOWN WAGON CO.
10 Henry St., Middletown.

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SAPOLIO
IS THE PROPER THING FOR HOUSE-CLEANING.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.
Money left with the First National Bank of Middletown, on certificate of deposit for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) percent, per annum.
By order of the Board of Directors.
SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.

Something for Nothing
—A—

SLATE SPONGE FREE
to every child that brings this advertisement to my store.

J. ERSKINE MILLS,
Druggist, North Street

GRAIN, FLOUR, FEED.
Baled Hay and Straw at Lowest Market Rates.

C. J. EVERSON,
Nos. 4 and 6 KING STREET.

BAUER'S PARK.
(NEXT TO MIDWAY PARK.)

May be rented exclusively, with all privileges, by lodges, organizations, church, Sunday Schools or private parties. Ideal spot for clambakes or picnics. Best of order maintained. Apply to C. J. BAUER, Philadelphia.

MOUNDS OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

Stone Implements and Other Evidence of a Prehistoric Settlement.

An account of an exploring expedition sent out to locate surveys and define the prehistoric mounds of the Mississippi river valley in South Dakota is given in the St. Paul Dispatch. The existence of mounds has been known to the expedition for a long time. The party located two distinct fields of prehistoric mounds and one well-preserved fortification within a distance of five miles in length and three-quarters of a mile wide. Both groups of mounds are of considerable magnitude. The larger group was located opposite the mouth of Grand river and contains 800,000 square feet of territory, with 84 counted and surveyed mounds upon the field, an elevation of 175 feet above the Missouri river. One of the largest mounds was opened by the party and immense quantities of prehistoric specimens secured and brought to the city.

These formed a distinguished party, which filled the blue room of the mansion, where the ceremony was performed. The Rev. Mr. Schadewell of the Church of the Immaculate Conception officiated. Judge J. B. Gaston, mayor of Gainesville, General Longstreet's home, was best man, and the bride entered on the arm of Governor Atkinson, who saw her away in the absence of her brother, who is in Texas. General and Mrs. Longstreet will spend two weeks at Porter Springs, Ga., after which they will return to Atlanta, where Mrs. Longstreet will resume her duties at the State library. It is understood she will not retire from the race for the librarianship which she entered several months ago.

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A mile and a quarter from this place the party located a well-preserved fortification of earth, showing the outer and inner breastworks, the ditches and iron works. The entrances to the fortifications are still marked. Here, too, evidence of prehistoric character was abundant and a number of stone implements were secured. The field invites the closest attention on the part of archaeologists.

AN EXPERIENCED HORSE.

He Had a Thrilling Border Career and Now Is Doing Duty in Drawing.

There is a horse that helps draw an omnibus from Lawrenceburg to Greenville, Ind., every day whose earlier days were in sharp contrast with his present life, says the New York Journal.

When he was young the horse was on a stage route through Yellowstone park. He was so swift and so handsome that the government bought him for a trooper horse.

The animal saw much cavalry service and soon gained distinction because of his speed and endurance. He was stolen by an Indian, and for three or four years was ridden without a saddle. Then Col. E. D. Bannister recovered the horse. Part of one ear had been shot away and an Indian had cut off a part of his tongue because his neighbor had betrayed the hidden savage.

For years the horse did duty about the Rosebud agency. Then it was sold to Ike Mullin, a cowboy, who was killed in a drunken brawl. Then the horse was sold to a trader, and after changing hands many times it found its way to Lawrenceburg. It changed hands many times and was bought by George Lowe last week and put to work on the stage route.

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CHILDREN AND NATURE.

Very Simple Way to Escape from the Boredom of Life.

When one hears of people sighing for a new sensation, and when one sees them suffering from ennui and boredom, it is a thousand pities that somebody does not point out an easy way of escape from the fashionable malady by inviting them to take a little interest in the life that everywhere encompasses their footsteps, says the Illustrated London News. The story of a primrose, for example, is in itself as curious a bit of living history as can well be selected from the domain of plant life, and the recital of the part played by bees in its fertilization is calculated to awake the interest even of the blase listener. Only, botany, if it is to be made popular to boys and girls, must be taught properly. What is wanted at first is to bring the pupil at once into contact with living nature, to make him see and observe for himself, and to make him understand what he sees by the simple plan of looking at the flower or leaf he is studying. In this way you create an appetite for nature-study, and introduce the boy or girl into a new universe full of wondrous things, the contemplation whereof cannot but elevate the mind and rejoice the heart to think that the world, after all, is "fair to see" to those who have the eyes to discern its beauty.

Woman Suffrage in England.

Women in England have the local government franchise in counties and boroughs on the same conditions as men, and a recent return shows how relatively unimportant their vote is. In the counties and boroughs of England and Wales there are altogether 5,326,873 local government electors; of these only 729,758 are women—that is to say, women form less than one-seventh of the electorate.

The Wheat King.

The wheat king of the world belongs to Argentina. He is an Italian emigrant named Guazzone, and his broad acres are situated in the south of the province of Buenos Ayres. His crop occupies an area of 66,270 acres. He numbers his workmen by the thousand, and each one receives a certain share of the profits. When his season's crop is harvested he fills over 3,000 railway trucks with grain.

GENERAL LONGSTREET WEDS

Venerable Veteran of the Mexican War Marries Miss Dorthie.

Atlanta, Sept. 9.—General James Longstreet, major general in the Confederate army, United States minister to Turkey and prospective commissioner of railroads to succeed General Wade Hampton, was married at the executive mansion, on Peachtree street, at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon to Miss Ellen Dorthie, assistant librarian of the state of Georgia. Governor and Mrs. Atkinson had issued a limited number of invitations to state officials and intimate friends of the bride and bridegroom.

These formed a distinguished party, which filled the blue room of the mansion, where the ceremony was performed. The Rev. Mr. Schadewell of the Church of the Immaculate Conception officiated. Judge J. B. Gaston, mayor of Gainesville, General Longstreet's home, was best man, and the bride entered on the arm of Governor Atkinson, who saw her away in the absence of her brother, who is in Texas. General and Mrs. Longstreet will spend two weeks at Porter Springs, Ga., after which they will return to Atlanta, where Mrs. Longstreet will resume her duties at the State library. It is understood she will not retire from the race for the librarianship which she entered several months ago.

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Fatal Fire in a Shed.

Richmond, Sept. 9.—At Fairmount, a suburb of this city, the little son and daughter of Joseph Creder were yesterday afternoon cremated by the burning of an outbuilding in which they were at play.

A World Beater in Swimming.

London, Sept. 9.—In a 300 yard swimming race for the championship at Doncaster, Nuttall, the champion of England, defeated Cavill, the Australian champion, in the record breaking time of 6m. 31s.

Strange Religious Service.

A queer polyglot religious service was held at the Seaman's Bethel at Douglas on the Isle of Man. The Gospel was read in Gaelic, a hymn sung in Manx, prayer offered in Welsh and the sermon delivered in English. On the previous Sunday the Lord's Prayer was said in Cornish, a language the last speaker of which died in the early years of this century.

He Interprets the Contract.

Customer—You remember you sold me this coat yesterday? You said you would return the money if it wasn't satisfactory.

Clothing Merchant—But, my dear sir, it was quite satisfactory; I never had better money as dot in all my life.

Puck.

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Five Gross of Men's Cravat Neckties.

They are 25 and 35c goods. At Tompkins', this week, 15c each.

Silk Club House Ties

10 and 15c goods. One gross at Tompkins', this week, 5c each.

A Corset Bargain.

One lot of 10 Corsets, all sizes, such as 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31, worth from \$1 to \$4.50 each. Price \$1.50. Also Warner's Corset, the H. S., the R. & C. Corset. All put in at one price. While they last 25c each. Any one wearing any of these sizes can find a bargain in this lot.

School Supplies.

It is nearly time for school. Get your supplies at Tompkins', at half the usual price, this week, 15c each.

Pen Holders for Boys.

5 Colored Chalk Crayons for 1c.

Eraser Erasers 2 for 1c.

Lace Pencil and Pencil Boxes 3c.

Good Lead Pencils, with nickel top and eraser, 1c each.

Lead Pencils, with red lead in one end and blue in the other, 2c.

Pen Holders 5 for 1c.

Polymer Pen Holders 12 each.

Pens 5 for 1c.

Book Binding 10c per dozen.

Lead Bindings 2 for 10c for 5c.

Lead Pencils, with inserted rubber eraser, 2 for 1c.

Box containing 6 different colored Lead Pencils for 5c.

2 Large Colored Pencils, crayons, for 1c.

Hole-Spacing Machine 10c for 5c.

Half Pint Household Ammonia 4c.

Large bottle Ammonia 10c.

Good Envelopes 2c per package of 25 envelopes.

Best Envelopes 1c per package.

Bookbinding Paper 1c per square.

15c a package of 5 quires.

Lead pencils boxes of 100 pieces for 15c each.

Spencerian Copy Books, all numbers, 8c each.

Common Copy Books 6c each.

Common Line Composition Books, with board covers, 7c each.

10c Tablets for Ink 5c.

10c Tablets, very large, for pencils, 5c.

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Dress Goods—

MUNYON Thousands are daily cured by Prof. Munyon through correspondence who cannot come to his office. If you are in doubt about your disease, write direct to Prof. Munyon, 1505 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., for free medical advice. Munyon's Remedies for sale at all druggists. Mostly 25 cents.

THE PROPOSED MILK TRUST.

Wholesale Dealers Almost a Unit in Favor of the Scheme — Opposed by Small Retailers — Brighter Prospects of the Success of the Scheme.

From the Deckertown Independent.

Notwithstanding the oft published statement that "New York dealers have rejected the offer of J. D. Gilmore to buy the milk business of that city," the writer knows it to be an actual fact that the wholesale dealers of New York, Brooklyn, Jersey City and Hoboken are almost a unit in declaring themselves in favor of the plan proposed by Mr. Gilmore.

The only active opposition encountered is from small retailers, who, professionally, are horrified at the idea of any one being so desperately wicked as in any way to countenance a "trust." At least such was the tenor of all speeches made at the St. Mark's Place meeting, from which arose the reported "rejection."

These rejectors possibly control one thousand out of a total of more than twenty thousand cans which daily reach the Metropolitan market.

To emphasize their abhorrence of trusts or perhaps "as an evidence of good faith," this insignificant minority appointed a committee to formulate a plan whereby a trust could be formed among themselves, thus indicating a belief that trusts are all right when formed by ourselves, but all wrong when composed of the other fellows.

This opposition trust is to be an unique affair, patterned after the close communion order and no bloated capitalist will be allowed to approach within gun shot of it. The stock issued is to be based upon wind and secured by milk cans, the former to be furnished by the promoters and the latter by such as are so unfortunate as to be supplying milk to the would-be stockholders.

Every candid person who understands the situation will admit that consolidation as proposed by Mr. Gilmore is practicable, is a necessity which the condition of the market demands and which nothing else will so meet.

The condition is tersely described by a remark recently made in this office by a gentleman connected with one of the largest retail businesses in New York City. The speaker was asked if his firm had made any money during the past year. His answer was: "Yes, more than in any one year since we have conducted the business, but we did it by robbing the farmer, paying him starvation prices. Competition forced us to do this."

This means that they had to sell cheaply, lose money, or go out of business. Of the three alternatives they chose the first named, and made the producer, an innocent party, pay for it. This is just what is continually being done and just what consolidation and nothing else will remedy. Instead of, as now, milk being sold at such prices as suit the dealers' own sweet will and paid for accordingly, regardless of the cost of production, the business will be conducted in a common sense manner, expense of distribution lessened, bad debts abolished, fair prices paid and a profit made on each sale.

The prospect for success of the scheme looks brighter each day, and when accomplished, both producer and dealer will be benefitted.

Returned After Thirty-Three Years of Absence and Silence.

James Bush, who was born at Greenwood Iron Works, and who served during the war in Co. A, 56th N. Y. V., and who had not been heard from in thirty-three years, surprised his friends and relatives by returning to Arden, a few days ago. He had been mourned as dead for years. He is a prosperous farmer in Iowa, where he owns nearly 1,000 acres of choice land.

RIDGEBURY.

A Successful Affair—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence About and Memory.

The golden rod picnic on the church lawn was a success. The flag drill and "Aunt Jemima Dow's Album" were especially enjoyed.

Miss Arctic Kimber and Miss Francis Geary spent Friday in town.

Rev. Theron Brittan attended the Orange Blossom's reunion at Gettysburg.

Misses Jessie and Margaret Hall entertained a few friends at whist, Monday evening.

Pine Apple Dyspepsia Cordial.

It has recently been discovered that the juice of the pine apple rapidly digests both animal and vegetable food and is nature's greatest digestive. The Pine Apple Dyspepsia Cordial combines with the delicious juice of the pine apple other grateful and superior stomach tonics which renders it the most marvelous discovery and cure known for indigestion, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, sour stomach, weight and tenderness in stomach nausea and sick stomach, sick headache, sleeplessness, frightful dreams, and all troubles arising from disease of the stomach or disordered digestion. It is delicious to take and on account of its wonderful digestive power gives almost instant relief. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, No. 2 Empire Block, Middletown.

The "bicyclists best friend" is a familiar name for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, always ready for emergencies. While a specific for piles, it also instantly relieves and cures cuts, bruises, salt rheum, eczema and all afflictions of the skin. It never fails. W. D. Olney.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.
BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 9.—Threatening,
but probably without rain: fair Friday.

THE TEMPERATURE.
The following was the reading of the thermometer
at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 67°; 12 m., 90°; 3 p. m., 92°.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.
Sail to Coney Island, via Ontario and Western Railroad.

Sept. 14—Echo meeting, C. E. Societies.
Sept. 14-17—Orange County Fair.

Sept. 21—Trolleymen's picnic at Midway Park

Oct. 1 and 2—Orange County Horse Show, at Goshen.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 9, 1897.

According to the *Dispatch*, ex-Supervisor Jesse Durland, of Warwick, despite the rebuffs administered to him by his own party in his own town, continues to have political aspirations and is making a systematic hunt for delegates for the Assembly nomination in this district.

A very marked increase in the demand for condensed milk is noted in trade journals. The explanation is to be found in the rush to the Klondike region, a large supply of condensed milk being part of every well stocked outfit. The New York Condensed Milk Company has shipped twenty carloads of its milk to Seattle.

The friends of Seth Low have decided to make a fight for him within the Republican organization. Low delegates will be run in every Assembly district in New York city and it is admitted that there are several districts in which the anti-Platt sentiment is so strong that Low delegates will be elected. In anticipation of this Chairman Quigg has announced that Low delegates will be unseated on the ground of disloyalty to the party, just as they would be if they came favoring the nomination of a Tammany ticket. This programme it carried out will make Republican politics in Greater New York a very hotbed of harmony.

New York city will at once test the right of the State Board of Equalization to add \$88,989,103 to its assessed valuation. Assistant Corporation Counsel Ward has been assigned to the case and will prepare testimony regarding valuations in that city and county as compared with valuations in other counties in the State, and will then apply to the Supreme Court for a writ of certiorari for a review of the action of the State Board. It is expected to show that the equalization arbitrary and unjust, an equalization in name and not in fact, and that New York has been loaded with a greatly increased assessment in order that rural counties and Republican cities may be favored.

The influence which controls the State Board of Equalization when it "equalizes" assessments is most eloquently set forth in the following table showing how the members of the Board looked after their home counties by securing reductions from the valuations made by the local assessors.

T. L. Woodruff, Lieutenant Governor,
Kings County \$14,780.15
John Palmer, Secretary of State, Al-
bany 10,478.00
J. A. Cobbin, Controller, Line 11,222.94
A. B. Colvin, State Treasurer, Warren 1,221.53
T. L. Hancock, Attorney General, On-
ondaga 21,601.02
J. W. Adams, State Engineer, Oneida 1,306.02
M. E. O'Grady, Speaker of Assem-
bly, Monroe 2,750.21
M. Bertram, State Assessor, Utica 2,716.90
E. L. Jenkins, State Assessor, Cheno-
nia 86.00
E. L. Jenkins, State Assessor, Essex 1,186.80

Additional.

The explanation of the addition made to Oneida county's valuation is that the assessments in that county are so notoriously low that there was no alternative left the Board but to increase its valuation. The amount added to the whole county is only a small fractional part of the increase in the city of Utica alone made this year when the assessors were bulldozed into making "full value" assessments.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

Henry V. Thorne, a native of Central Valley, was killed last week, on the Greenwood Lake road, on which he was employed as brakeman, being knocked from a car by the Baldwin street bridge, near Montclair. He fell under the car wheels, and his life was crushed out almost instantly. He was married only a few weeks ago.

PERSONAL.—The gentleman who annoyed the congregation last Sunday by continually coughing will find instant relief by using One Minute Cough Cure, a speedy and harmless remedy for throat and lung troubles. W. D. Olney.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

A VERY HEAVY FAILURE.

J. R. Willard & Co., Bankers and Bro-
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\$1,000,000.

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This morning there was much excitement when an announcement of the failure posted on the door confronted the public. No statement of the amount involved could be obtained.

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Mr. Sterritt was born near Middletown, Orange county, July 27th, 1806. In the early '40s he was a major in the Orange county militia. He removed to Forestburgh in 1852, and held the office of Supervisor three years, was Justice of the Peace for several terms, and was also Town Clerk and Assessor. About fifteen years ago he ceased to be an aspirant for political preferment.

He leaves but one son, Samuel Jr., with whom he lived. A son and a daughter died in early childhood. His wife, Dorothy, who was a sister of the late Crawford Ayers, died eight years ago.

BACKED INTO THE CANAL.

NARROW ESCAPE OF A PARTY OF WEDDING GUESTS NEAR SUMMITVILLE.

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Good Blood

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1 full Dress Pattern, Super Storm-Serge, \$2.49.

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DAILY ARGUS.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

- Fox blankets cheap at Weller & Demarest's.
- Fall styles of hats at Chas. Wolf's Sons.
- "Madame Sans Gene," at Casino, Sept. 16th.
- Canned peas at Mapes Bros'.
- Children's caps at Mrs. Bush's.
- Good banjo for sale.
- Dance at Columbia Park, Friday night.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local news.

—Don't let your interest lag in the Orange County fair.

—A very severe form of influenza, with sore throat, is epidemic in Newton.

—"Madame Sans Gene" will be the attraction at the Casino, next Thursday evening.

—The O. and W.'s "salt water" excursion train will leave here at 8:30, tomorrow morning.

—Golf is a favorite pastime at Central Valley. Links have recently been laid out on the Dr. Elmer place.

—Blackberries have been so plentiful in Dowserville, this year, that they have sold for three cents a quart.

—Thomas Brown, of Pascack, Delaware county, has two weeks' work yet to do before he can finish haying.

—Entries are needed in the domestic department of the fair. The ladies should take more interest in this department.

—Surprise Hook and Ladder Company wore new uniform trousers, to-day, which they purchased of Morris B. Wolf.

—Rochester's orchestra announced another social dance at Columbia Park, Friday evening. Ladies will be admitted free.

—The last issue of the *Clother and Furnisher* contains a picture of the late Charles W. Iseman and an obituary notice.

—A cottage prayer meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Philip Gorr, 41 Benjamin street, to-night, commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

—The thirty-sixth annual convention of the Sussex County Sunday School Association will be held in the Ballville Church, Sept. 15th.

—A Port Jervis dealer has laid in \$50 pounds of frankfurters to supply the demand expected from hungry firemen and spectators at to-day's parade.

—Dr. Sprigges' notes in the Newburgh *Journal* that many fine marmots have recently been killed on the mountains along the Short Cut valley.

—Potatoes are a poor crop along the O. and W. and are reported to be rotting badly. They are now selling in Rochester for from sixty to seventy-five cents a bushel.

—Oliver Byron and his excellent wife, Kate Byron, will again visit Middletown in "The Ups and Downs of Life," next Tuesday evening. Don't fail to secure your seats early.

—The Lackawanna, in order to meet the competition of other roads and get even a share of the Sussex county shipments, was compelled to make a rate of six cents a basket on peaches, a figure at which the officers declared they would not carry fruit.

PERSONAL.

—J. W. Bowers, of 75 W. Main ave., is confined to his bed with a severe attack of sciatic rheumatism.

—M. K. Wilson, of Middletown, made friends in this place a pleasant visit several days, last week.—*Downsville News*.

—Mrs. Wainsby and three children, of Middletown, were recent guests of Mr. Henry Cummer, of Pascack.—*Downsville News*.

—Michael O'Brien, of Paterson, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this city for the past week, returned home to-day.

—Dr. Darwood is announced to preach in the Delhi Methodist Church the series of five sermons, "Our Friends Beyond the Grave," which he delivered while pastor of St. Paul's Church, this city, and which it will be remembered attracted much attention.

RETAIL GROCERS HERE.

Six Carloads of People From New York and Brooklyn.

The Retail Grocers' Association from New York city and Brooklyn, who were expected to come here in large numbers, to-day, arrived on a special train of six cars at 12:30. They were met at the Wickham avenue station by extra trolley cars and taken to Midway Park.

The excursionists were, in the main, family parties and they at once proceeded to enjoy themselves and found much entertainment in the amusements which the park affords. Dancing was a popular feature of the afternoon.

Graduated as Trained Nurse.

Miss Sadie Hale, of this city, having completed the course at Thrall Hospital, has received her diploma as a trained nurse, which was presented, yesterday, by the Superintendent, Mrs. Cook, together with a badge, the gift of the Board of Managers.

Brick for King Street Pavement Here.

The first shipment of Mack brick for the King street pavement arrived, to-day, and the brick are being drawn and piled along King street, this afternoon.

The confidence of the people in Hood's Sarsaparilla is due to its unequalled record of wonderful cures.

A dose of Dr. Fowler's Ext. of Wild Strawberry brings immediate relief in all cases of cramping pains of the stomach or bowels. It is nature's specific for summer complaint in all its forms.

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OFF FOR PORT JERVIS.

MIDDLETOWN FIREMEN TO PAR-
TICIPATE IN THE BIG PARADE.

Ontario and Monhagen Hose Companies
March to the Erie station—
Hook and Ladder Boys Also Go—
The Firemen's Special Train—
Warwick and Goshen Firemen on Board—
Many Citizens Join the Party.

The departure of the Middletown firemen, who are to take part in to-day's big parade of the Port Jervis fire department, livened up this city about 9 o'clock, this morning, and roused in many a breast a longing to drop business cares and duties and lie away over the mountain and see the fine parade for which Port Jervis firemen have been arranging for weeks and which will certainly surpass anything of the kind ever seen in that village.

First of all a company of fourteen boys, constituting the day's showing of Surprise Hook and Ladder Company, formed on North street at the Y. M. C. A. entrance, and then marched to the Erie station. They were followed soon after by Ontario Hose Company, who marched from their North End truck house headed by the DeWitt Camp Drum, Fife and Bugle Corps. Alderman Hirst walked ahead of the company with the old veteran, A. J. Bell, chaplain Norris, ex-Alderman Harry Funnell and other well known honoraries.

They made a very fine showing of thirty-six men, nicely uniformed, and were heartily applauded.

The appearance of the drum corps and their playing was especially commendable by those who have not seen the corps in some time. There were nineteen uniformed men.

On reaching the depot the company placed a long banner on the special car it was to occupy.

They were joined there by Mayor Berry, and Aldermen McMurtry and Ayres. Alderman Allen, who plays in the 24th Band, will join them later. Alderman Tierney and President Elwood, of Eagles, went up on a later train.

Monhagen Hose Company was next to put in an appearance. They were met at their truck house by Collins' Band, of Newburgh, which arrived here on the special train, and then marched twenty-four strong to the station. With them were President Hornbeck, W. H. Rogers, J. F. Roosa, W. A. Vail, Isaac Lipfield, A. S. Reynolds, and Chiefs Higham and Lorentz. They marched in platoons with military precision. The good results of Foreman Stahl's efforts and the interest taken in drills, was noticeable in the bearing and marching of the company, which may be depended upon to make a fine showing in the parade.

During the wait at the station the 24th band, which is to play for Excelsior, of Warwick, played a selection in fine style.

At 9:05 the special train of six cars arrived, with Warwick and Goshen firemen on board.

Excelsior Hose Company of Warwick, had forty-six men in uniform. The officers are: Foreman, W. A. Randall; 1st Assistant, W. C. Eagor; 2d Assistant, John Downing; Secretary, A. L. Perry; Treasurer, G. F. Ketcham. The invited guests included Chief S. S. Van Senn, 1st Assistant W. E. Arrington, 2d Assistant F. F. Wildrick, also the officers of Good Will H. and L. Co. and Raymond Hose Co., No. 2.

This company was in a special car of the Lehigh and Hudson R. R., which had an ancient and hobo-like look. The Warwick boys appreciated its appearance, and added the following penciled signs:

"This parlor car reserved for firemen only."

"Don't mar the paint."

"Will be painted."

"Be careful where you spit."

"Pride of the L. & H."

In other cars were Goshen's contingent, headed by Chief Charles G. Elbot and his assistants, C. Rivenkamp and James E. Landy. Cataract Engine had 36 men and Dikeman Hose, 24. They were headed respectively by the Goshen Band and the Walden Fife and Drum Corps.

A large number of local excursionists aided in filling the nine cars which left here at 9:30.

The Veteran Volunteers of New York passed through here on a special train of three cars, running ahead of train 21. Four extra cars, attached to train 9, were well filled with excursionists from this city, Goshen and other points along the New York Division.

The trains on the Delaware Division brought to Port Jervis companies from Carbondale and Susquehanna, together with many excursionists from those places and from Honesdale and Hawley and many places along the line.

There are thousands of visitors in Port Jervis, this afternoon, the streets being literally packed with people.

PORT JERVIS Gaily DECORATED.

The decorations are very elaborate, and some of them are unique and beautiful. Owners and occupants of business properties have vied with each other in doing honor to the firemen and their guests, and many residences are gorgeous with flags and bunting.

THE GOSHEN HOSE COMPANY.

The goliath on the spire of St. Mary's Church is one of the most admired decorations, and Eddie Geisselheimer's "biggest fireman on earth" attracts much attention. It is twenty-four feet high, and twenty-one bundles of straw were used in its construction. Its trousers are sixteen feet in length, and eighteen yards of red cloth were needed to make its shirt.

Business was generally suspended at 12 o'clock. Both of the Port Jervis papers suspended publication in order to give their employees a chance to parade or see the great procession.

Monhagen and Ontarios on their ar-

rival in town were met at the station by their hosts, Port Jervis Hose Co., No. 4, and Neversink Steamer and Hose Co., No. 1, and escorted to their respective houses. The Goshen and Warwick companies were also welcomed by their hosts. Elaborate lunches were served and after the parade the home companies and their guests will partake of sumptuous banquets.

F. S. VanEtten, chairman of the reception committee, looked after the welfare of the city and village officials, newspaper men and guests of the visiting companies. They were given seats on the reviewing stand or if they preferred to go over the line of march carriages were placed at their disposal.

THE GREAT PARADE.

The parade started promptly at the appointed hour, 1:30 o'clock. It was a magnificent spectacle. Nothing like it has ever been seen in Port Jervis.

There were eighteen companies and sixteen bands or drum corps in line. The Old Volunteers had the right of line and were heartily applauded.

Ontarios presented a fine appearance. They marched well and merited the frequent applause which they received. John Cunningham and M. Kerrigan were on the tongue. DeWitt Pipe, Drum and Bugle Corps, which furnished music for Ontarios, showed up well. Their evolutions were all well done and their fine playing won for them much praise.

Surprise H. and L. Company was the only boys' company in line and it attracted its full share of attention and was generously applauded.

Monhagen made a splendid showing, and the difficult drill movements were all faultlessly done. The company was one of the crowd's favorites and it received frequent and hearty applause.

By all odds the finest company in line was Davy Crockett Hook and Ladder Company of Poughkeepsie. It mastered ninety men and marched with admirable ease and precision.

Erie Hose, of Susquehanna, was a fine appearing and very popular company and enjoyed its full share of the crowd's plaudits.

Both the Goshen companies made a fine showing. They are fine looking bodies of men, are handsomely uniformed and executed many difficult evolutions in a style that showed that they had received very thorough drill.

The Pioneers of Ellenville, were a fine looking company, and seemed to find favor in the eyes of the spectators.

A feature of the parade was the unique decoration of the carriage of Excelsior Hose Co., of Port Jervis. It was literally buried in golden rod, which was arranged so effectively that the effect was both unique and pleasing.

The line of march is six and a half miles long. It includes Carpenter's Point, or Tri-States, as it is now called, and Germantown, and is so arranged as to pass all the engine houses. The heat is intense, and it is probable that many of the firemen will drop out before the march is over.

Nearly a thousand Middletowners went to Port Jervis on the various trains to go to press. A large proportion of these excursionists were women.

MUSIC IN PORT JERVIS HEARD IN MIDDLETON TOWN.

While the Argus's representative in Port Jervis was talking over the telephone, this afternoon, the music of a band passing along the street in front of the building in which the Port Jervis telephone exchange is located could be distinctly heard here.

OLD FOG GATE KEEPER DEAD.

Grieff Hadden, the oldest male resident of Sullivan county, N. Y., died in Port Jervis, Tuesday night, at the home of his daughter, Elizabeth Lott. He was ninety-seven years old, and for years was the toll gate keeper on the old Cochecton turnpike, near White Lake, Sullivan county.

UNEMPLOYED MUSICIANS SCARCE TO-DAY.

Leader Perkins, of the Twenty-ninth orchestra, had quite a task Wednesday, to secure enough musicians to furnish the music at Midway Park, to-day. An orchestra was, however, finally secured. The Newburgh, Goshen and Middletown bands are all at Port Jervis.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC AT MIDWAY PARK.

The Presbyterian and Methodist Sunday schools of South Centreville will picnic at Midway Park, to-morrow. The party will be brought to this city in wagons and will take cars for the park here.

REAL ESTATE NOTES.

The Strader farm at Ross' Corner, Susquehanna county, was purchased at Sheriff's sale, Tuesday, by J. Lima Bedell for \$4,200. The tract comprises about 155 acres.

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To paint your buildings. We have just received a large shipment of H. W. Johns' ASBESTOS PAINTS, for which we have taken the agency for Middletown and vicinity. These paints are acknowledged by all to be the best prepared paints on the market. Call for a color card and see what is claimed for them.

At our yard can be found a complete line of White Pine, Yellow Pine, Cypress, Whitewood, Spruce and Hemlock Lumber. A large quantity of Shingles that cannot be duplicated at present price when these are gone. Also Lime, Cement, Plaster and all Masons' Materials. And don't forget that we still sell the best and cleanest coal to be found in Middletown. TELEPHONE 181.

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LIKE MANY OTHERS.

The physician in charge had decided that an operation should be performed.

"Do you think," asked a relative, anxiously, "that the operation will do any good?"

"Well, I should say it would," replied the doctor, confidently.

"And hell live?"

"Oh, dear, no; not at all. But it will settle a medical point that has been in dispute for the last 50 years."—Chicago Post.

Tied Down.

"Doctor," said the physician's wife, "why don't you take a good, long rest? Go away somewhere and enjoy yourself. You're working yourself into your grave. You haven't been out of town for five years."

"My dear," the celebrated practitioner said, "I do not dare to leave. If I did so most of my patients would discover that they could get along just as well without me, and my practice would be ruined."—Cleveland Leader.

Adam Begins It.

"Man that is born of woman is full of trouble," they say. But what of the one male human who commenced in another way? You might think he had never a taste of woe. Nor toved with a care, but, ah! We are told he had troubles the same as though

His mother had been his ma.

—L. A. W. Bulletin.

HE COLDN'T GET OVER IT.



"My goodness, what's the matter in there?"
"Don't be frightened. It's only my son trying to put a 13 centur on a shirt."—N. Y. Journal.

AT THE SUMMER RESORT.

He's sitting in the shadow lighting off a cigarette, looking off into the distance. He's got some sucker, from the stick, for cream and ice as she fondly calls them down.

—Cleveland Leader

IN THE LONG AGO.

Puritan Youth.—(Sunday evening.)—Pruthie, Priscilla, thinkest thou be truly goodly for married folks less on Sunday?

Puritan Maiden.—I fear me not, but thou knowest we be not married yet.

Dressing Him Down.

"I believe you'd stand or force a mirror today," said Mr. Close's, satisfactorily, "nothing but change your dress."

"Perhaps I would," replied Mrs. Close, dreamily, "if I had the dresses."

A SECOND EDITION.

He had married a young widow, and in the first flush of his happiness, "Starting" he murmured, "will you forget your honeymoon?"

"Watch!" she queried, absent-mindedly.—Loistville Courier-Journal.

A CONSISTENT WOMAN.

Mrs. Gilfoyle—Mrs. Bargain Hunter is a thoroughly consistent woman.

Mrs. Gilfoyle—Is she?

Mrs. Gilfoyle—Yes, she is. She has turned her five o'clock teas down to 37.—Puck.

A RUDE HINT.

Charlie Borem—Did you know, Miss Witty, that this is the longest day in the year?

Miss Witty—Is it? That's strange. I just began to think it was the longest evening.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

AN OLD GEM RESET.

Wadsworth is something of a fisherman, isn't he?

"Perhaps he is, perhaps he is; but in business matters I always found him perfectly reliable."—Chicago Journal.

THE TELL-TALE BREATH.

Donald (proudly)—My wife kisses me good night regularly.

Rounder (bitterly)—Women are suspicious creatures, ain't they.—N. Y. Truth.

Two of a Kind.

Wife (angrily)—I had only listened to my parents' advice I never would have married you.

Husband (sharpily)—That was just my case precisely.—Brooklyn Life.

PERSIGHTED.

Penelope—Pooh! What do you see in that girl to love?

Tom Barry—Nothing. It's in the bank.—Yellow Kid Magazine.

TEMPER.

Brown-Jones—Has your wife a more even temper than your own?

Jones-Brown—More even? No, even more.—N. Y. Truth.

IT DIDN'T MATTER.

Grocer—A pound of tea? Which'll you have, black or green?

Briget—Shure; it doesn't matter; I's for a blind woman.—N. Y. Journal.

OLDER THAN HE THOUGHT.

Trivett—Miss Cahokia has become a wise woman.

Dicer—She isn't as old as that, is she? Judge.

A SHE SKEPTIC.

He—My dear, I feel awfully bad. I believe I am going to die.

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HYMENAL.

Gould-Monell.

Willard M. Gould, one of the most efficient men in the Traction Company's service, and Miss Lois Edith Monell, the attractive daughter of Mrs. Margaret Monell, of No. 125 Wickham avenue, were united in marriage, Wednesday afternoon, at 4:15, at the bride's home, by Rev. Dr. Frank L. Wilson.

The couple left at once for a fortnight's honeymoon, and on their return will reside with the bride's mother.

Hermes-McCue.

William J. Herlihy, a well known O. and W. engineer of this city, and Miss Catherine McCue, of Summitville, were married at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, in St. Joseph's Church, Wurtsboro, by Rev. Father O'Connell, in the presence of a large party of relatives and friends.

The bride was attended by Miss Ella Macnamara, of Summitville, and the groomsmen was John O'Farrell, of the same place.

The fair bride was most beautifully gowned in a dress of cream-tinted satin, trimmed with lace and ribbons of the same tint. The bridesmaids wore pink silk and carried roses.

A reception was held after the ceremony at the bride's home at Summitville.

Mr. and Mrs. Herlihy started early in the evening for a wedding trip to Niagara Falls. They will be absent for a week, and on their return will reside in Harry Moore's house on Low avenue.

After the departure of the bridal party the guests at the reception danced and made merry until a late hour.

The bridal gifts were very numerous and costly, and bore evidence of the esteem in which the young couple are held by their friends.

Tallmadge-Lockwood.

Miss Florence Lockwood, oldest daughter of Mrs. Cornelius B. Lockwood and Josiah Tallmadge, of Ann Arbor, Mich., were married at 4 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the bride's mother, 17 Orange street, Port Jervis. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. T. Sanford, pastor of the Port Jervis Baptist Church in the presence of 150 guests.

The house was prettily and profusely decorated with goldenrod, ground pine and laurels. During the ceremony the young couple stood in front of a handsomely decorated window in the rear parlor, a position which was chosen to bring them as nearly as possible in view from all parts of the room.

At the appointed hour, to the strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin, played by Miss Henrietta Cunningham, the bride descended the front stairs accompanied by her brother, Francis W. Lockwood, and preceded by the maid of honor, her sister, Miss Carrie Louise Lockwood. The bride looked very handsome and attractive in her wedding gown of white organdie over cream corded silk and trimmed with white ribbons. The maid of honor wore a costume of blue organdie over yellow. The bride and her attendants met the groom in the rear parlor and then to the sound of subdued music the solemn ceremony was performed which linked together the lives of this happy young pair.

Warm words of congratulation were spoken, after which a very appetizing collation was served by the following young lady friends of the bride: Misses Addie Brown, Jennie Terrell, Anna Wells, Ella Stewart, Emma VanSickle, of Port Jervis, and Genevieve Crissey, of Warwick.

The ushers were Messrs. James E. Bennett, Edgar Barrett, W. Italy Tubbs and Eugene Harring, of Middletown, the last named a cousin of the bride.

The bride and groom took their departure from town on train 22 eastbound and will go to their home at Ann Arbor via the Erie and New York Central, stopping at various points along the route.

The bride is handsome, accomplished and popular. She graduated from the Port Jervis academy in 1891 and then took a course in the Normal College at Albany, from which she graduated with honor. She was aide to commandant at one of several positions as teacher and her last engagement was at the Spellman Seminary in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Tallmadge is superintendent of the Ann Arbor State and Virginia Woods, a large establishment employing many hands. He is a young man of high character and marked ability.

The bride and groom received a large number of very handsome and costly presents tokens of the love and esteem of relatives and friends.

The bride's favors to her maid of honor and waitresses were sumptuously spangled with blue and gold. The groom's to the ushers were handsome scarfs pins.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilbur and Mr. and Mrs. James H. Harding, uncle and aunt of the bride, all of this city.

Ratka Won a Race.

Talka, of the Campbell Farm stables, won a race at the Ulster County Fair at Ellenville, Wednesday.

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THE SCRANTON FIREMEN.

Had a Fine Time Here and at Midway Park.

The Scranton firemen owned this city, Midway Park and Mechanicstown, Wednesday afternoon. They rode all over the city, and took in everything to be seen.

At Midway Park, Assistant Chief Schmitt's was headquarters, and a large number of the visitors visited him.

When evening came the party was thoroughly tired out, and many of them boarded their train at the Wickham avenue station long before its leaving time. The firemen returned home well pleased with their excursion, and many of them declared their purpose of coming to Middletown again, next year.

CALK THROUGH HIS FOOT.

B. S. Keeler's Painful Injury, Received Wednesday Afternoon.

John Decker, Van Duzer & Smith's delivery man, and Bailey S. Keeler, of the firm's finishing department, were at an O. and W. switch near the Wickham avenue station, Wednesday afternoon, supervising the unloading of a car of furniture, when the horse became frightened at a passing switch engine. Mr. Keeler, who was endeavoring to hold the horse, was stepped on, a sharp calk penetrating deep into his foot. He will be laid up several days by the injury.

The horse ran to North street and Wickham avenue, where he was caught. He was not injured, nor was the wagon damaged.

Funeral of Mrs. Weber.

Rev. Dr. F. L. Wilson conducted funeral services at one o'clock, Wednesday, over the remains of the late Mrs. Maria Weber, from the residence of Wm. H. Brundage, on Mill street. The floral pieces were from the following: Mrs. I. Tyrell, Mrs. B. F. Van Sickle, Mrs. Mary Skinner, Mrs. Mary Mason, Barbara Weaver, Mrs. W. Weaver, Miss Kaufman, Mrs. John A. Musgrave, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. George Symington, Mrs. Seth Ogden and Mrs. Harvey Crane.

The bearers were B. F. Van Sickle, Clark Pallett, Wm. Duryea and Wm. Tyrell. The interment was in Hillside.

Sudden Death of a Sussex County Farmer

From the Sussex Register.

Barnet Drew, one of the most substantial farmers of Vernon, died very suddenly of apoplexy, aged seventy-four years. Mr. Drew was apparently in good health when he arose on Sunday. After milking five cows, the usual number, he walked a short distance and fell, expiring within ten minutes after. He is survived by nine or ten children, all of whom are grown up and caring for themselves.

Music for the County Fair.

Under Sheriff Henry M. Howell, chairman of the committee on music for the Orange County Fair, states that the following organizations have been secured: First day, Pioneer Band (colored), of Middletown; Second day, Florida Concert Band; Third day, 21st Separate Co. Band, of Middletown; and the Arlington Band, of Salisbury Mills, on the last day of the fair.

Pickpockets Reap a Harvest in Norwich.

Pickpockets were busy in Norwich, Monday, when Forepaugh's circus was in town. Many complaints of robbery were made and the closest of the D. L. and W. station having become choked, investigation showed that the trouble was caused by twelve pocketbooks which had been thrown into it after having been rifled of their contents.

Where County Fair Entries May Be Made.

Entries of articles for exhibition at the fair may be made at the office of the Middletown Wagon Co., 10 Henry street, all this week. The payment of \$1 constitutes any person a member of the society, and gives the right to enter as many articles as desired in all departments. A membership ticket also admits to the fair.

W. C. T. C. Notes.

Socially at the rooms, 131 North street, again on Friday evening, 7 o'clock. All are welcome.

—Miss Belle Austin has been appointed superintendent of the department of scientific temperance instruction.

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